

Iowa Department of Corrections

Reentry: Communities and Corrections United

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Subcommittee**



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Corrections Continuum - FY 2007 Served

Community Corrections
Monitored

- Low Risk Probation, Minimum Risk Program
- 15.6% (11,667)

Regular
Supervision

- Probation, Parole, Pre-Trial Release, Other
- 49.4% (36,880)

Intensive
Supervision

- Intensive Supervision, Sex Offenders, Pretrial Release, Low Functioning
- 6.0% (4,444)

Quasi-
Incarceration

- Residential Facilities
- 8.7% (6,473)

Short-Term
Incarceration

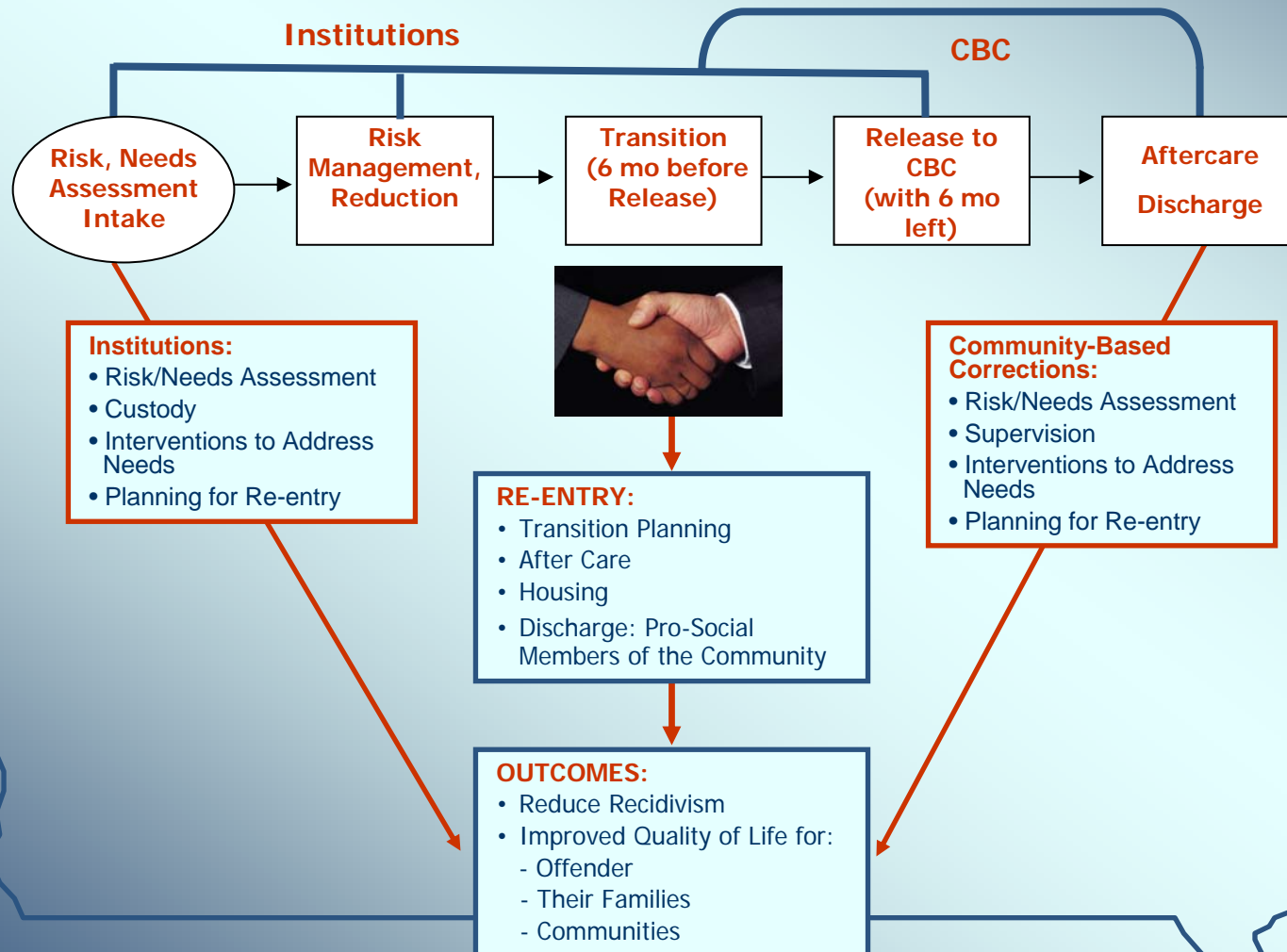
- Violators' Program
- 0.9% (642)

Full-Term
Incarceration

- Institution
- 19.4% (14,446)

Integrating Responsibilities

We protect the community, staff and offenders from victimization by creating partnerships and utilizing evidence based practices to prepare offenders to be pro- social members of the community without correctional supervision.



Releases from Institutions (2007)

- **5,850 Total**
 - **Of that total –**
 - **1,389 Parole (Iowa)**
 - **1,281 Work release**
 - **1,273 Discharge, end of sentence**

Releases to Polk and Black Hawk Counties (2007)

■ Parole

- Polk – 644, 46%
- Black Hawk – 343, 25%

■ Work release

- Polk – 264, 21%
- Black Hawk – 203, 16%

■ Discharge, End of Sentence

- Polk – 204, 16%
- Black Hawk – 81, 6%

Therapeutic Communities (TCs) in Institutions

- **ICIW TC (STAR)**
 - Operational since September 2000
- **Ft. Dodge Correctional Facility TC**
 - Redesign current substance abuse treatment to create a TC
- **Reentry Coordinators to assist in transition planning**

One-Stop Reentry Centers

- **Primary focus on offenders released from ICIW and Ft. Dodge TCs to Black Hawk and Polk Counties**
 - African-American cultural responsiveness
 - Female offender gender responsiveness
 - Employment
 - Substance abuse continuing care
 - Mental health services
 - Housing
 - Family reintegration

Community Treatment Resource Centers in Des Moines and Waterloo

- **Centers in high-crime neighborhoods for high-risk offenders, their families, and communities in collaboration with the First and Fifth Judicial Districts and Iowa Workforce Development.**

Services and resources include:

- **African-American and Hispanic cultural responsiveness**
- **Female offender gender responsiveness**
- **Assessment and day treatment tracks, including in-patient substance abuse**
 - **Mental health support/services through Assertive Community Treatment (ACT)**
 - **Employment and education services**
 - **Mentor program**
 - **Family reintegration with DHS and community-based groups**

Services and resources continued...

- **Community rehabilitation and social supports to strengthen community – community service, community recreational and social activities, and resources linkage**
- **Housing partnership**
- **Community police component**
- **Community and faith-based organizations**

Talking Points

- One-stop community-based Reentry and Treatment Resource Centers are an innovative approach to engaging offenders, families, and neighborhoods in successful offender reintegration as well as strengthening families and the fabric of communities.
- The disproportionate incarceration rate of African-Americans is addressed by locating community-based resources in high crime rate African-American communities, increased hiring of African-American staff, and effective collaboration with the African-American community and faith-based organizations.
- Primary substance abuse and mental health needs of offenders would be addressed through improved access to community-based resources.

Partnerships

- **Demonstration to Maintain Independence and Employment Grant (DMIE)**
- **Prisoner Reentry Initiative Grant-5th District**
- **Prisoner Reentry Initiative Grant-2nd District**
- **Access to Recovery Grant-IDPH**

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Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.

~Margaret Mead (1901 - 1978)

An Iowa with no Victims.



**Our mission is to protect the Public,
the Staff, and the Offenders from
victimization.**